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October 25, 2001

## VIA HAND DELIVERY

Mr. K. David Waddell  
Executive Secretary  
Tennessee Regulatory Authority  
460 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, Tennessee 37243

***Re: Joint Petition of Crockett Telephone Company, Inc., Peoples' Telephone Company, West Tennessee Telephone Company, Inc., and the Consumer Advocate Division of the Office of the Attorney General for the Approval and Implementation of Earnings Review Settlement.  
Docket No. 99-00995***

Dear Mr. Waddell:

On behalf of the TEC Companies, the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division, and AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc. ("AT&T"), I am writing to advise that all parties are now in agreement that a live hearing in this matter is not necessary. The TEC Companies and the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division had previously filed formal comments stating that they saw no need for a live hearing. AT&T has now agreed that a live hearing is unnecessary.

Accordingly, all parties respectfully submit that the hearing dates of Wednesday, November 7, 2001 and Thursday, November 8, 2001, at 9:00 a.m., as set by Notice of the Pre-Hearing Officer, dated October 8, 2001, should be cancelled.

The parties do request the opportunity to file final briefs in the matter, and would suggest that the deadline for filing of final briefs be Friday, November 9, 2001, at 2:00 p.m.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. For your record keeping purposes, I am submitting 13 copies of this letter along with the original to the TRA.

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The attorneys for the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division and AT&T have authorized me to send this letter on their behalf.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Dale Grimes". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "R." and last name "Grimes" clearly distinguishable.

R. Dale Grimes

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Enclosures

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